UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO MR. A. H. BELMONT DATE: 12/4/63

FROM MR. I. W. CONRADY

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY

In connection with the above-entitled matter, I discussed the following two items with Inspector Malley:

(1) With respect to the 8 m.m. color movie taken by Abraham Zapruder in Dallas of the actual shooting, the Bureau, of course, has copies of this film and from it a rough approximation can be made as to the elapsed time between the three shots which were fired. However, since this estimate of time depends upon the speed at which the camera was running, it is considered desirable that we obtain from Mr. Zapruder information as to the speed at which his camera was set during the shooting of this film and, in addition, that the camera itself be forwarded to the Laboratory in order that we may determine the actual speed of the camera at the reported setting.

(2) With respect to the bullet reportedly recovered from the shooting into the home of General Walker, I pointed out to Mr. Malley that because of the distorted nature of the bullet and the fact that we had no known specimens taken sometime near April 1963, it had not been possible to make a determination as to whether the Walker slug had been fired from the assassination rifle. I requested Malley to consider possible sources of bullets which might have been fired by Oswald during the early part of the year in order that we might further attempt to resolve the question of identity. In this respect I suggested that Mrs. Oswald be interviewed for possible leads as to where Oswald might have conducted target practice.

Mr. Malley advised that both of these items would be checked into and we would be further advised.

1-Mr. Belmont
1-Mr. Rosen
1-Mr. Sullivan
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ACTION: None...for information.

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